THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a)and(b) The Government has already allowed 100% FDI in the hotel and tourism sector on the automatic route.

(c) This encouragement is already resulting into multinational and world's best known hotel chains investing in India to increase world class room inventories for tourists.

Supply of water to Agricultural land

†164. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to implement any new scheme to study and solve the problems regarding supply of water to the agricultural land based on rain water in the country;

(b) if so, the outline of the scheme; and

(c) by when it is decided to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ): (a) There is no proposal to implement any new scheme to study and solve the problems regarding supply of water to the agricultural land based on rain water in the country.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Implementation of centrally funded irrigation schemes in Andhra Pradesh

165. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have approved proposals for strengthening the irrigation system in drought prone States, including Andhra Pradesh;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.